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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

10:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the revised draft of the "Call for Action" to support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 April 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce)

Fifty-fifth session

10:30 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

09:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Committee on Information
Thirty-ninth session

15:00 to 18:00	1st meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 2

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of officers
3. Adoption of the agenda and programme of work
4. Admission of new members
5. Statement by the Chair
6. Statement by the Acting Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications
7. General debate

[An interactive dialogue between the Department of Public Information and the delegations attending the thirty-ninth session of the Committee on Information will take place between agenda items 6 and 7.]

[The thirty-ninth session of the Committee on Information is being served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages. Delegations and participants on the list of speakers are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart3@un.org, *as soon as available*, and at *least one hour in advance* of their designated speaking slot and the email subject should include the entity name, meeting name and related agenda item. PDF format is preferred.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *30 hard copies* of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which it will be available to the public on the Portal.]

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Liberia Configuration

10:00	Informal meeting	Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Committee of Experts on Public Administration

Sixteenth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

1. Opening of the session

   Statement by His Excellency Cristián Barros Melet, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

   Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (to be delivered by the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development)

2. Election of officers [item 1]
3. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/C.16/2017/1) [item 2]
4. Ensuring effective implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals through leadership, action and means (E/C.16/2017/2) [item 3]

   General discussion

5. Institutional arrangements for the Sustainable Development Goals (E/C.16/2017/5) [item 3 (c)]

   Interactive panel discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 2nd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Institutional arrangements for the Sustainable Development Goals (E/C.16/2017/5) [item 3 (c)]

Briefing by the Secretariat

Interactive panel discussion

[For further information and to access the official documents of the session, please *click here*.

The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the *PaperSmart Portal* in all available official languages. Delegations and participants on the list of speakers are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart6@un.org, *as soon as available*, and at *least two hours in advance* of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which it will be available to the public on the portal. Please indicate in the subject your delegation name and agenda item.]

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Sixteenth session

11:00 to 13:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the session

   Introductory statements

   Vice-President of the General Assembly (Nepal)

   Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Chile)

2. Election of officers [item 1]

3. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work (E/C.19/2017/1 and E/C.19/2017/L.1)[item 2]

Opening statements

Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development

Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs of Canada

Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women

[For the programme of the opening of the session, please *click here*.]

15:00 to 18:00 2nd meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

Discussion on the theme "Tenth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: measures taken to implement the Declaration" (E/C.19/2017/4) [item 8]

[Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, *in advance of the session*, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; Room S-3066).

Kindly be reminded that the observers who have not indicated their participation by the established deadline will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. For background and other related documents of the sixteenth session of the Forum, please *click here*.

The sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a *PaperSmart* manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages. There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The *list of speakers is open*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the Secretariat (Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org)). Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org *at least one hour in advance* of their designated speaking slot and to bring *30 copies* of their statements for technical services.]

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Briefing

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

On UNDP Strategic Plan 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Other meetings

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Event entitled "It Takes a World: High level event on Ending Violence against Children" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Canada, Japan, Luxembourg, Panama, Thailand, Zambia and Zimbabwe, the Global Partnership to End Violence against Children, World Vision and the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact UN-NGLS (e-mail info@un-ngls.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3125).

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group (Oceans)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

International Criminal Court: Working Group on Amendments

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Tuesday, 25 and Thursday, 27 April 2017

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the revised draft of the "Call for Action" to support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 April 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

10:00 General Assembly Hall
Overflow room: Conference Room 4

15:00 General Assembly Hall

High-level event to mark the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 April 2017 and 20 April 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Steering Committee on Partnerships for the Small Island Developing States (SIDS)

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 3rd meeting Conference Room 5

Steering Committee on Partnerships for the Small Island Developing States (SIDS), established pursuant to resolution 70/202 of 22 December 2015. Information on the SIDS Partnership Framework and on registered partnerships is available online.

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 Conference Room 4

Wednesday, 3 May 2017

10:00 Conference Room 4

Informal consultation on the process concerning the ways to enable the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 April 2017 and 21 April 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Friday, 5 May 2017

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Monday, 8 May 2017

10:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 Conference Room 4

Informal meeting of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the draft text of the resolution on the participation of Indigenous peoples at the United Nations

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 April 2017 and 21 April 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
Monday, 5, to Friday, 9 June 2017

The United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development will be held at United Nations Headquarters from Monday, 5 to Friday, 9 June 2017, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/303 of 9 September 2016. For further information, please *click here*.

The provisional agenda and provisional rules of procedure of the Conference have been issued as documents A/CONF.230/1 and A/CONF.230/2, respectively.

The Conference will include *eight plenary meetings*, which will be held in the General Assembly Hall, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00;

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Wednesday, 7 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00.

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings, the "General debate" *is open*. Requests for inscription from the States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, for the general debate should be sent through the e-Speakers system available through the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within *one hour* of receipt of request for inscription.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be established on a first-come first-served basis with the customary protocol that ensures that Heads of States or Government speak first, followed by other heads of delegation. The European Union will be included in the list of speakers. It is proposed that a time limit of *five minutes* be

established for each statement, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts. All delegations prior to the delivery of the statements are kindly requested to e-mail a copy of their statement to papersmart@un.org, indicating in the subject line: "Statement and Name of Country or Organization". Where possible, statements should be provided one day in advance of delivery or at *least three hours before* delivery of statement.

In addition, representatives of the following organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate: (a) intergovernmental organizations and other entities that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the capacity of observer in the sessions and work of all international conferences convened under its auspices (rule 60 of the provisional rules of procedure); (b) other intergovernmental organizations (rule 63); (c) associate members of regional commissions (rule 61); (d) specialized agencies and related organizations (rule 62); and (e) United Nations organs (rule 64). These representatives may contact the Secretariat (c/o Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org)) to be inscribed in the list of speakers.

Also, representatives of non-governmental organizations (rule 65), civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private sector and philanthropic organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate. These representatives are invited to indicate their interest to speak by using the form (*click here*). Preference will be given to statements that are delivered on behalf of groups of organizations.

The *seven partnership dialogues* will be held in Conference Room 4, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Addressing marine pollution";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Managing, protecting, conserving and restoring marine and coastal ecosystems";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Minimizing and addressing ocean acidification";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Making fisheries sustainable";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing economic benefits to small islands developing States and least developed countries and providing access for small-scale artisanal fishers to marine resources and markets";

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing scientific knowledge and developing research capacity and transfer of marine technology"; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Enhancing the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources by implementing international law as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea".

The partnership dialogues *open* to all participants accredited to the Conference, will be interactive and multi-stakeholder in nature. The partnership dialogues will begin with a panel discussion, followed by an interactive dialogue among participants. Interventions in the interactive debate should be limited to *three minutes*. The order of speakers for each partnership dialogue will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis, bearing

in mind equitable geographical distribution while allowing for some flexibility with priority given to States according to the level of representation, followed by intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, United Nations system, major groups and other relevant actors. It is envisaged that up to 25 States and 15 other participants will be accommodated to speak in the interactive debate of each partnership dialogue.

States and the associate members of regional commissions participating in the Conference are requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot, including the order of preference, name, title and level of participation, to the Secretariat (c/o Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)) *before the deadline date of Friday, 19 May 2017.*

Representatives of intergovernmental organizations and other entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, and United Nations organs are also requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot, including the order of preference, name, title and level of participation, to the Secretariat (c/o Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org)) *before the deadline date of Friday, 19 May 2017.*

Representatives of non-governmental organizations and other major groups as well as other stakeholders are requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot by using the form (*click here*) before the *deadline* date of *Monday, 24 April 2017*. Additional guidance on the partnership dialogues as circulated by the President of the General Assembly, in a letter dated 6 April 2017, is available on the Conference website (*click here*).

The *special event commemorating World Ocean Day* will be held on Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 in the General Assembly Hall. Further details on the special event will be made available on the Conference website.

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference, the *credentials* of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and submitted to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Rooms S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week* before Monday, 5 June 2017. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of the European Union, by the President of the European Council or the President of the European Commission. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Accreditation of official delegations of States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, as well as specialized agencies and related organizations, is handled by the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service via the online system "eAccreditation". Submission of online accreditation requests for members of the delegations via "eAccreditation" system must be handled by permanent/observer missions and offices in New York, who have already been registered and provided with secure login credential (password).

Delegations wishing to attend the conference are advised to coordinate with their missions/offices in New York for timely submission of accreditation requests. Additional information is available on the Conference website under "Registration" (*click here*).

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

Monday, 1 May 2017

10:00 Conference Room 3

The status of preparedness of documentation has been issued as document A/C.5/71/L.29.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the status of documentation, as well as the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available at the Committee website (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit any change or update to their official list of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers by sending a note verbale from their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and/or completing form A/INF/71/2 and sending it to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Thursday, 27 April 2017

10:00 281st meeting (closed) Conference Room 6

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; Room S-3632)).

The meeting will *not be open* to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least *48 hours prior* to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5).

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-seventh session
5 to 23 June 2017

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks before* the session of the Committee

on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 19 May 2017*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (304 East 45th Street, Room FF-700; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org). The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Tenth session

13 to 15 June 2017

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *173* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *115* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings. For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org); or consult the United Nations Enable website (*click here*).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

Burundi Configuration

10:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Second annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

15and 16 May 2017 Conference Room 4 and Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the second annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Science, technology and innovation for a changing world – focus on SDGs 1, 2, 3, 5, 9 and 14" will be convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe)

There will be no pre-determined *list of speakers* and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

All are invited to attend. Since a flexible seating arrangement will be used, Member States that are not members of the Council, representatives of intergovernmental organizations, as well as of the United Nations system that wish to participate, should communicate their intention to participate to Ms. Emer Herity, Secretary of the Council (Attn: Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)) in order to be provided a seat in the conference room *no later than 12:00*, on Monday, 8 May 2017. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information, including the tentative programme, is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*).

Forum on Financing for Development follow-up

22 to 25 May 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/217 and Economic and Social Council decision 2017/206, the second meeting of the Forum will be convened by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe).

The Forum will include the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. The forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office (*click here*). For further details, contact Ms. Dominika Halka, FFDO/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

For inclusion in the list of participants, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the Forum to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room CB-0125; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

PaperSmart arrangements will be offered as an additional service to the meetings of the forum. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the *PaperSmart Portal* of the Council should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) after its delivery by delegations.

Special meeting on innovations for infrastructure development and promoting sustainable industrialization

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold a special meeting to highlight the relevance of industry, innovation and infrastructure (Goal 9) for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The special meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe) and will comprise interactive panel discussions. There will be no pre-determined list of speakers, with interventions limited to *three minutes*.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing, no later than noon on Tuesday, 30 May 2017*, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants* will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

In advance of the special meeting, a preparatory meeting on agriculture and agro-industries development toward sustainable and resilient food systems, will be held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, from 24 to 26 April 2017. The preparatory meeting is open to all Member States. Delegations are invited to nominate representatives for participation in the preparatory meeting. Please send nominations *as soon as possible* to Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail barrettg@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4723). For more information on the special meeting and the preparatory events, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

United Nations Forum on Forests
Twelfth session

1 to 5 May 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/CN.18/2017/1 and the proposed organization of work and related documentation is available from the Forum website (please *click here*).

The lists of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3 on Monday, 1 May 2017, in the morning, *is open*. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Forum, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org)). The time limits for statements are *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Information on registration of participants is available from the Forum website (please *click here*). For inclusion in the list of participants, delegations are requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, the composition of their delegations by e-mail to the Secretary of the Forum (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

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For additional information on the twelfth session of the Forum, please visit the Forum website (*click here*). The list of side events on the margins of the session is available by *clicking here*.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Joint briefings

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UN-Women on Cost Recovery

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Thursday, 27 April 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On the common elements of the UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN-Women Strategic Plans 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Annual session 2017

30 May to 9 June 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Executive Board Secretariat (e-mail eb.secretariat@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA, *as early as possible*, but *no later than* Monday, 22 May 2017.

The annual session 2017 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official

documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

The portal will be accessible by *clicking here*. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Pre-session informal consultation

Tuesday, 16 May 2017

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 6

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP

Monday, 19 June 2017

10:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (facilitation on the activation of the Court's jurisdiction over the crime of aggression)

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Briefing on "The Draft WIPO Practical Guide on Intellectual Property for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities – Indigenous Perspectives" (organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO))

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lucinda Longcroft, WIPO (e-mail lucinda.longcroft@wipo.int; tel. 1 (917) 244-1071 or 1 (212) 963-6813).

Event on "Lessons Learned from the Special Court for Sierra Leone's Prosecution of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Sierra Leone and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Canada (Ms. Catherine Boucher (e-mail catherine.boucher@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1160); or Ms. Roan Ramos (e-mail roan.ramos@international.gc.ca); tel. 1 (212) 848-1107).

Seminar on "Managing climate change related risks and security challenges" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Hedlund, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail rebecca.hedlund@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2553).

Special event on "Cry of the Indigenous Crimean Tatars in the occupied Crimea" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Daryna Horbachova, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail dasha.horbachova@mfa.gov.ua; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).

Latin American and Caribbean Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Diplomatic briefing on "The Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Canada (Ms. Catherine Boucher (e-mail catherine.boucher@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1160); or Ms. Roan Ramos (e-mail roan.ramos@international.gc.ca); tel. 1 (212) 848-1107).

Event on "Innovation: Improving Lives *Women as innovators and beneficiaries of innovation for sustainable development*" (on the occasion of the World Intellectual Property Day) (organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO))

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lucinda Longcroft, WIPO (e-mail lucinda.longcroft@wipo.int; tel. 1 (917) 244-1071 or 1 (212) 963-6813).

Event entitled "Marine Protected Areas, Indigenous and Local Communities, and Sustainable Livelihoods" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia and France, the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) and the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD))

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room B

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Evaline Cho, Permanent Observer Mission of IUCN (e-mail evaline.cho@iucn.org; tel. 1 (212) 346-1163).

Round table discussion "Identifying and Mitigating Long-term Consequences of the Chernobyl Nuclear Disaster: Building the Case for Continued International Cooperation" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus, the Project Chernobyl and the Russian American Foundation)

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Tamara Kharashun, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail tamara.kharashun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 772-2354); to register, please *click here*.

Meeting of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for Small Island Developing States (ambassadorial level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Maldives)

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Eugenia Palagi, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail eugenia.palagi@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).

Workshop on "Corruption-free Institutions for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Denmark, Georgia, Qatar, Sierra Leone and Singapore, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 27 April 2017

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Georgia (e-mail geomission.un@mfa.gov.ge; tel. 1 (212) 759-1949).

Briefing on "The humanitarian situation in North-East Nigeria" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Thursday, 27 April 2017

15:00 to 16:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact OCHA (Ms. Margarette Pradel (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217); or Ms. Miriam Danar (e-mail danar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2259).

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 27 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 27 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Workshop on "Sustainable Development and Climate Change" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and research (UNITAR) New York Office)

Friday, 28 April 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room S-0310

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room S-0310

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Álvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); to register, please *click here*.

Panel discussion on "Accountability for National Atrocity Prevention and for International Assistance: Building upon Existing Good Practices" (organized by the Office on Genocide Prevention and Responsibility to Protect)

Friday, 28 April 2017

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gillian Kitley, Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect (e-mail kitley@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3869).

Briefing for Member States on "Mobilizing institutions and leadership for implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (CEPA)" (organized by Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Friday, 28 April 2017

13:30 to 14:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. David Lung'aho, DESA (e-mail lungaho@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3998).

High-level meeting entitled "Science for Peace presenting the theme of the 2017 World Science Forum" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Hungary and Jordan)

Friday, 28 April 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Veronika Csiszár, Permanent Mission of Hungary (e-mail veronika.csiszar@mfa.gov.hu); or Ms. Nour Al-Jazi, Permanent Mission of Jordan (e-mail nour.jazi@gmail.com).

Briefing on "The Centre for Humanitarian Data" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Friday, 28 April 2017

16:00 to 17:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jenny Cheng, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail nyv@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9517; to register, please *click here*.

Official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Twentieth session

8-12 May 2017 (United Nations Office at Geneva)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2016/254 of 27 July 2016, the twentieth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 8, to Friday, 12 May 2017, in Conference Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2017/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Ms. Dong Wu (Chief, Science and Technology Section) and Ms. Stéphanie Kermoal, Science and Technology Section, STICT Branch, UNCTAD (tel. 011-41-22-917-2083; fax 011-41-22-917-0052; e-mail stdev@unctad.org).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here*.

Inquiries on the twentieth session of the Commission can also be directed to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Preparatory Committee for the 2020 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
First session
2-12 May 2017 (United Nations Office at Vienna)

A *general debate* on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee will be held on Tuesday 2, and Wednesday, 3 May 2017. The *list of speakers* for the general debate *is open*.

States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Treaty secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan (e-mail tan1@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; Room S-3164; fax 1 (917) 367-1767)).

Members of delegations who are not already *accredited* to the United Nations Office at Vienna are requested to fill in the *registration* form annexed to "Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations" (NPT/CONF.2020/PC.1/INF/2/Rev.1*) and return it to the secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan (e-mail tan1@un.org; with a copy to Ms. Lucia Andaya (e-mail andaya@un.org)), *as soon as possible*.

States parties are also kindly requested to provide, *in writing*, the composition of their delegations at the session, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, M. Ioan Tudor, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations, Room S-3151, New York, New York 10017, United States of America; or to the Treaty secretariat (fax 1 (917) 367-1760).

To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the *list of participants*, it is requested that electronic documents containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word to Ms. Lucia Andaya of the Treaty secretariat by e-mail (andaya@un.org), *as soon as possible*.

The session of the Preparatory Committee will be a paper-smart session, meaning that a limited number of hard copies of documents will be available during meetings. No hard copies of pre-session documents will be available.

All documents and statements for the first session will be available from the website of the 2017 Preparatory Committee (*click here*).

Delegations are kindly requested to send electronic copies of their statements to papersmart9@un.org, *at least two hours prior* to their speaking slot. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery.

The secretariat kindly requests that delegations provide *only 25 hard copies* of official statements for the technical services.

The United Nations does not provide photocopying services.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.

Further information for participants is contained in the Information Note (NPT/CONF.2020/PC.1/INF/2/Rev.1*) and is also available on the web site of the first session of the Preparatory Committee (*click here*).

Announcements

2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific: Deadline for applications – 31 May 2017

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from Monday, 20 November to Friday, 15 December 2017. This course is open for candidates from Member States and Non-Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. Applications for the 2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific are now being accepted. *The deadline for applications is Wednesday, 31 May 2017*. The Regional Course will be conducted in *English* in 2017.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *April 2017*:

Introduction to legal resources

Finding speeches (English and French)

Voting information (English and French)

Introduction to library services

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents (English and French)

Treaty research

Security Council documentation

Research on the United Nations Charter

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For further information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 28 April 2017*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-second session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 71/41, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 5 December 2016 (Note verbale ODA/08-2017/CAC dated 20 February 2017);

Resolution 71/45, paras. 4 and 5, entitled "Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions", adopted on 5 December 2016 (Note verbale dated 10 February 2017) (this submission should be sent to ccm@unog.ch); and

Resolution 71/62, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 5 December 2016 (Note verbale ODA/05-2017/D&D dated 20 February 2017).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (*click here*), by *Friday, 28 April 2017*, the information relevant to resolution 70/21, paras. 1, 3, 4 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/06-2017/OIMM dated 20 February 2017 refers).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (*click here* for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded.

All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week* before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room S-1309).

For any clarifications on these elections, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here)*, or contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available. For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 19 April 2017

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Coordination and management meeting

[archived video]

19th meeting

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments [item 4]

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council proceeded to nominate, by secret ballot, four members from the African States, four members from the Asia-Pacific States, three members from the Eastern European States, four members from the Latin American and Caribbean States and five members from the Western European States, to the Committee to be elected by the General Assembly.

Ms. Helen Ritz (Estonia), Ms. Meri Sola (Germany) and Ms. Yumaira Rodriguez (Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic)) served as Tellers.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

African States:

Burkina Faso *(49 votes)*

Asia-Pacific States:

India *(49 votes)*

Iran (Islamic Republic of) *(48 votes)*

Japan *(48 votes)*

Pakistan *(48 votes)*

Eastern European States:

Belarus *(50 votes)*

Bulgaria *(50 votes)*

Republic of Moldova *(50 votes)*

Latin American and Caribbean States

Brazil *(49 votes)*

Chile *(48 votes)*

Cuba *(42 votes)*

Western European and other States

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland *(44 votes)*

United States of America *(43 votes)*

Sweden *(1 vote)*

Having obtained the required majority: Belarus, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Chile, Cuba, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Pakistan, the Republic of Moldova, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America were declared nominated by the Council for election by the General Assembly to the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term beginning 1 January 2018.

The Council decided to postpone the nomination of three members from the African States, one member from the Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from the Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020.

The Council was reminded of the two outstanding vacancies on the Committee for Programme and Coordination, both from the Western European and other States: one for a term expiring on 31 December 2017; and one for a term expiring on 31 December 2018, both terms beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly.

Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

The Council agreed to the proposal of the Vice-President that counting of the ballots for the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) would proceed in parallel to the counting of ballots for the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

The Council proceeded to elect one member each from the African States, the Asia-Pacific States and the Latin American and Caribbean States, and two members from the Western European and other States by secret ballot.

Mr. Onismo Chigejo (Zimbabwe) and Mr. Milan Konrád (Czech Republic) served as Tellers.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

African States:

Congo *(50 votes)*

Asia-Pacific States:

Iran (Islamic Republic of) *(48 votes)*

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Chile *(49 votes)*

Western European and other States

Australia *(49 votes)*

Finland *(49 votes)*

Having obtained the required majority: Australia, Chile, the Congo, Finland and Iran (Islamic Republic of) were declared elected members of the Programme Coordinating Board for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020.

Organization of work

The Vice-President (Czech Republic) made a statement.

Thursday, 20 April 2017

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Coordination and management meeting

[archived video]

20th meeting

The Vice-President of the Council (Czech Republic) opened the meeting.

Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits [item 11]

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B, 60/265, 61/16, 67/290 and 68/1 [item 13]

The Council began its joint consideration of the agenda items.

The Chair of the Committee on World Food Security and Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) introduced the report on the main decisions and policy recommendations of the Committee (A/72/63E/2017/11).

The Coordinator of the United Nations Standing Committee on Nutrition briefed the Council on the work of the Committee.

Panel discussion on climate change and nutrition

The Vice-President (Czech Republic) made opening remarks. The moderator of the panel discussion, Mr. Werner H. Obermeyer, Deputy Director of the World Health Organization Office at the United Nations, made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Ms. Stineke Oenema, Coordinator, United Nations Standing Committee on Nutrition; Her Excellency Amira Gornass, Chair, Committee on World Food Security and Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); Ms. Hilal Elver, Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food; and His Excellency Marcel Beukeboom, Climate Envoy, the Netherlands (via video-link).

The panellists responded to the comments and questions posed by the moderator, as well as by the representative of FAO.

The Vice-President (Czech Republic) made closing remarks.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Czech Republic).

21st meeting

The Vice-President of the Council (Czech Republic) opened the meeting.

Economic and environmental questions: Environment [item 18 (e)]

The Council began its consideration of the sub-item.

The Deputy Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, New York Office, made a presentation.

The Council thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 18 (e).

Economic and environmental questions: International cooperation in tax matters [item 18 (h)]

The Council began its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on the recommendation contained in the report (E/2016/45)

The Council adopted the draft resolution contained in Chapter 2 of the report.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President (Czech Republic), the Council took note of the report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its 12th and 13th sessions (E/2016/45).

Economic and environmental questions: Geospatial information [item 18 (i)]

The Council began its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on the recommendation contained in the report (E/2016/46)

The Council adopted the draft decision contained in Chapter 1, section A, of the report.

The Council thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 18 (i).

Economic and environmental questions: United Nations Forum on Forests [item 18 (j)]

The Council began its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on the recommendation contained in the report (E/2017/10)

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Council adopted the draft resolution contained in Chapter 1 of the report.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President (Czech Republic), the Council took note of the report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its 2017 special session (E/2017/10).

Organization of work

The Vice-President (Czech Republic) made a statement.

Friday, 21 April 2017

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Disarmament Commission

2017 substantive session

[archived video]

366th meeting

Report of the Disarmament Commission to the General Assembly at its seventy-second session [item 6]

The Chair made a statement.

The Committee of the Whole discussed the reports of Working Groups I (A/CN.10/2017/WG.I/CRP.2) and II (A/CN.10/2017/WG.II/CRP.3), and the draft report of the Disarmament Commission (A/CN.10/2017/L.1).

The Committee of the Whole adopted, ad referendum, the three reports, as contained in documents A/CN.10/2017/L.1, A/CN.10/2017/WG.I/CRP.2 and A/CN.10/2017/WG.II/CRP.3.

The meeting was adjourned.

367th meeting

The Chair made a statement.

The Chairs of Working Groups I and II introduced the reports of the Working Groups, as contained in documents A/CN.10/2017/WG.I/CRP.2 and A/CN.10/2017/WG.II/CRP.3, respectively.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Commission adopted the report of Working Group I.

The Commission adopted the report of Working Group II, and a text entitled "Recommendations on practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional weapons", as contained in document A/CN.10/2017/WG.II/CRP.1.

The Rapporteur introduced the draft report of the Commission, as contained in document A/CN.10/2017/L.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Libya, Bulgaria and Ecuador.

The Commission adopted its draft report, as contained in document A/CN.10/2017/L.1, as orally revised, and the conclusions and recommendations regarding agenda item 5, as contained in document A/CN.10/2017/WG.II/CRP.1.

A statement was made by the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs.

The Chair made a concluding statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Croatia, the United States, Cuba and Pakistan.

The Chair declared closed the 2017 substantive session of the Disarmament Commission.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Coordination and management meeting

[archived video]

22nd meeting

The Vice-President (Czech Republic) opened the meeting.

United Nations Research and training institutes [item 20]

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in New York introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the Institute (via video link from Geneva) (E/2017/48).

The Director of the United Nations System Staff College introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the UN System Staff College (E/2017/52).

The Head of Office of the United Nations University in New York introduced the report of the Council of the University on the work of the University (E/2017/51).

General discussion

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy, Azerbaijan, Germany, the United States and the United Arab Emirates, as well as by the observer for Mexico.

The Council thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 20.

Action on draft resolution E/2017/L.18

The Council was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Council adopted the draft resolution (E/RES/2017/5).

Action on draft resolution E/2017/L.19

The Council was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Algeria made a statement, introduced the draft resolution and announced that Azerbaijan, Colombia, Italy, Lebanon and South Africa had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Iraq.

The Council adopted the draft resolution (E/RES/2017/6).

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President (Czech Republic), the Council took note of the report of the Council of the United Nations University (E/2017/51).

The Council thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 20.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

The Vice-President (Czech Republic) made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance. New York, 20 June 1956

Notification under article 2: Slovenia (21 April 2017)

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Communication with regard to the reservations made by Fiji upon ratification: Latvia (17 April 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Republic of Cameroon
His Excellency Michel Tommo Monthe

Asia-Pacific States
Federated States of Micronesia
Her Excellency Jane J. Chigiyal

Eastern European States
Republic of Albania
Her Excellency Besiana Kadare

Latin American and Caribbean States
Guyana
His Excellency Troy Torrington
Chargé d'affaires

Western European and other States
Principality of Andorra
Her Excellency Elisenda Vives Balmaña

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the *list of speakers* of plenary meetings of the General Assembly are kindly requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal available at http://delegate.un.int. The e-Speakers link to inscribe for the plenary

meetings *is open*. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM help-desk (e-mail help-desk@un.org). For any other inquiries regarding the list of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org).

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The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (k), and (l), 116 to 118, 120 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

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Seventy-second session

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